



# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Katy Allen  
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**SUBJECT:** ALMADEN LAKE PARK  
IMPROVEMENTS PHASE I

**DATE:** 06-18-04

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Approved

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Council Districts: Citywide, 10

## **REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL MEMO**

To provide additional information after bids were opened.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Report on bids and award of contract for the Almaden Lake Park Improvements Phase I Project to the low bidder, Robert A. Bothman, Inc., to include the base bid and Add Alternate No. 1 in the amount of \$920,889, and approval of a contingency in the amount of \$92,000.  
CEQA: Mitigated Negative Declaration, PP04-02-051.

## **BACKGROUND**

Almaden Lake Park is an existing Regional Park in Council District 10 located at the southeast corner of Almaden Expressway and Coleman Road (map attached).

The City Parks Bond Measure provides funding for the renovation of parks and recreation facilities throughout the City including Almaden Lake Park. The proposed Phase I improvements to include a large group picnic area with shelter, tot-age play area with an aquatic play feature, bocce ball courts with shade structures and security lighting along an existing trail. These park improvements are identified in the 1982 Almaden Lake Master Plan with the exception of the bocce ball courts, which were identified as a desirable, senior-friendly element during the public outreach process. Council District 10 provided supplemental project funding for the design and construction of two bocce courts. Two additional bocce courts are listed as Add Alternate No. 1 to complete the desired senior element program.

In addition to the base bid scope of work there is one Add Alternate bid item as follows:  
Add Alternate No. 1: Two additional bocce ball courts, shade structure and adjacent

## improvements

Construction of Phase I is scheduled to begin in July 2004 with completion in December 2004.

**ANALYSIS**

Bids were opened on June 8, 2004 with the following results:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Add Alt No. 1</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>	<u>Variance Amount</u>	<u>Over/ (Under) Percent</u>
Scapes, Inc. (Half Moon Bay)	\$1,153,694	\$76,400	\$1,230,094	\$287,594	31
HRB Construction (Fremont)	977,900	91,495	1,069,395	126,895	14
ESR Construction (San José)	918,100	104,000	1,022,100	79,600	8
<b>Engineer's Estimate</b>	<b>870,000</b>	<b>72,500</b>	<b>942,500</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>
Robert A. Bothman, Inc. (San José)	806,989	113,900	920,889	21,611	(2)

Robert A. Bothman, Inc. submitted the lowest responsive base bid in the amount of \$806,989, which is seven percent below the Engineer's Estimate. The bid is considered acceptable for the work involved in the project. In addition to the base bid, staff recommends the award of Add Alternate No.1 in the amount of \$113,900 for a total award of \$920,889.

Council policy provides for a standard contingency of five percent on Public Works park projects; however, a ten percent contingency is recommended because the project must integrate with site and utility work proposed for Phase 2 improvements scheduled for construction in October 2004. Although there has been ongoing coordination between the two phases, above normal conflicts are possible due to two separate contractors on separate projects. The funds budgeted for this project are sufficient to provide for the recommended contingency.

**PUBLIC OUTREACH**

To solicit contractors, this project was listed on the City's Internet Bid Line and advertised in the *San José Post Record*. Bid packages for all Department of Public Works construction projects are provided to various contractor organizations and builder's exchanges.

**COORDINATION**

This project and memorandum have been coordinated with the Departments of General Services, Planning, Building and Code Enforcement, the City Attorney's Office and the City Manager's Budget Office.

### **COST IMPLICATIONS**

1. AMOUNT OF RECOMMENDATION: \$920,889
2. COST OF PROJECT:
 

Project Delivery	\$391,661
Construction	920,889
Contingency	<u>92,000</u>
TOTAL	\$1,404,550
3. SOURCE OF FUNDING: 471 – Parks Bond Measure Fund  
375 – Parks Trust Fund
4. FISCAL IMPACT: This project is consistent with the Council-approved Budget Strategy Economic Recovery section in that it will spur construction spending in our local economy. The proposed operating and maintenance costs of this project have been reviewed and estimated to be approximately \$45,000 annually, beginning in December 2004. If the maintenance resources required for this facility are not forthcoming, the maintenance of this facility will be absorbed by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services. There will be a corresponding drop in the maintenance level of other facilities, particularly in the immediate area, to accommodate the maintenance of these new improvements.

### **BUDGET REFERENCE**

Fund #	Appn #	Appn. Name	RC #	Total Appn.	2003-2004 Adopted Budget Page	Last Budget Action (Date, Ord. No.)
471	4526	Almaden Lake Park	123545	\$2,377,000	Page 740	10-14-03 Ord. #26997
375	4450	Almaden Lake Playgrounds	xx	245,000	Page 645	
375	7000	Reserve: Almaden Lake Park Neighborhood Improvements	xx	395,000	Page 674	
		<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3,017,000</b>		

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